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Minutes of the Population Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, June 3, 2005
Arizona Department of Economic Security
Conference Room 104
1717 West Jefferson Street
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Arizona State University – Tom Rex
University of Arizona – Alberta Charney¹
Department of Economic Security – Linda Strock / Peter Kozy
Department of Health Services – Richard Porter
Department of Water Resources – John Fortune
Department of Transportation – Jami Garrison
Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona – Norm Petersen
Central Arizona Association of Governments – Bill Leister
League of Arizona Cities & Towns – Tom Belshe
Maricopa Association of Governments – Harry Wolfe
Northern Arizona Council of Governments – Chris Fetzer
Pima Association of Governments – Sandy White
South Eastern Arizona Governments Organization – Rich Gaar
Western Arizona Council of Governments – Dave Barber
* City of Phoenix – Max Enterline / Tim Tilton
* Department of Health Services – Christopher K Mrela
* Department of Transportation – Bob Carlisle
* Maricopa Association of Governments – Anubhav Bagley
* Department of Environmental Quality – David Lillie
* State Land Department – Mila Hill
* Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization – Mack Luckie

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Department of Commerce
Department of Education
Department of Revenue
The Navajo Nation
County Supervisors Association of Arizona
Northern Arizona University
*Department of Insurance

ALSO PRESENT:

Samuel Colón, Department of Economic Security
Susan Kanzler, Department of Economic Security
Brenda Flood, Department of Economic Security
Allen Barnes, Department of Economic Security

*NON-VOTING MEMBER

¹Participating by teleconference

1. Call to Order.

John Fortune called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

2. Approval of Minutes of Prior POPTAC Meeting.

John Fortune asked if there were any comments on the minutes from the prior meeting. There was no comment. John then called for a motion.

Norm Petersen moved and Linda Strock seconded the motion to approve minutes as written from the March 25th POPTAC meeting. The motion was approved.

3. New business.

Alberta Charney complimented the DES /Research Administration web-site and encouraged everyone to check it out. She said the additional information available is a big step forward that helps the process to become completely transparent. She sent back and a list of minimal things to be added and a few others also sent some questions and suggestions for addition. Pete Kozy stated DES planned to put additional estimates information on the Internet. The current information is not meant to be the last word, but only the start. Pete invited others to provide additional suggestions in writing.

4. County Projections

David Lillie provided the methodology report.

Tom Rex talked about the need to do some smoothing and suggested that migration rates by age don't necessarily change. There was also discussion about the merit of looking at historical migration data for the past ten to twenty years.

Linda Strock said these were good suggestions and worth following up, but would require additional time to pursue. She also announced that Susan Kanzler had accepted a promotional opportunity to work as a GIS analyst and that DES would be recruiting to fill the projections position. There was a brief discussion of the timing of the next draft projections and the release of the draft 2005 estimates. Linda Strock said there would not be sufficient time between June and September to develop and review another round of draft projections prior to the release of 2005 draft estimates.

Dave Barber reported on some information from WACOG counties. La Paz didn't like the numbers but did not provide justification. Yuma brought up several items: 1) the refinery coming on line in 2007, 2) parcel splitting that is creating a number of additional lots that are available within the urbanized areas, 3) reevaluation of population density around the military base and Yuma proving grounds, 4) additional 5,000 military within the next four years at the Yuma proving grounds, and 5) a port of entry is on the

drawing board. He also stated that the Hoover Dam bypass will provide access for people living in Mohave and working in Las Vegas.

5. Estimates Topics

Linda Strock reported that DES plans to develop an audit process in which building permits and completions data inputs will be subject to review. Audit selection will be based on factors such as high growth, change in growth and consistency with local conditions. The audit process will begin shortly and will occur in conjunction with the development of the 2005 estimates.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:58 a.m.

Next meeting October 28, 2005